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## ANGELES FOREST ROADS TO RE-CLOSE DUE TO ANTICIPATED STORMS

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Works has announced that based on the current forecasted storms, it is closing public access to all County roads within the Station Fire burn area as of Sunday morning, January 17, 2010 at 4:00 a.m.

As a result, the Angeles Forest Highway, Big Tujunga Canyon Road, and Upper Big Tujunga Canyon Road, will be closed to all traffic except emergency vehicles and DPW personnel. Residents living in the burn areas will not be permitted to use the roads until the closures are lifted.

Public Works will reopen the roads after the threat of rain or the storm systems have passed and debris and damage inspections of the roadways are completed.

Bob Spencer, Public Affairs Manager for Public Works, reminded residents that during the winter storm season these roads would be closed when moderate to heavy rainfalls are forecasted for the area.

"The safety of motorists using these roads is our number one priority," Spencer said. "We urge residents to continue to monitor news broadcasts, or visit the CARE website at <a href="https://www.dpwcare.org">www.dpwcare.org</a> for further updates as this series of storm fronts approach."

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